

Sun City Photography Club

Board Meeting - July 18, 2022

Present: Allen Utzig, Marsha Larrabee, Randy Freeman, Tracey Smith. Guests were Barbara Friedman and Alton Puckett. Walt Grabowski joined briefly by phone. Meeting began at 10:01.

Absent: Jane McCabe (Minutes taken by Tracey Smith)

Minutes from Last Meeting – motion to approve by Marsha, seconded by Randy. Approved

Treasurer's Report – Randy – Members = 238. Balance is \$7000.14. Allen asked for a list of expenditures for next board meeting.

Guest Issues – Alton Puckett reported that B&H has most of the studio lighting system and one piece is temporarily out of stock. Allen authorized Alton to purchase the Photogenic ProLight system and backorder the one item.

Old Business

Studio Lighting - Allen (see above)

Old equipment – Allen – Alton Puckett removed most of the old and outdated equipment and will dispose of it.

General meeting & workshops – Tracey – Randy Dykstra is on board for the August general meeting, which Marsha and Tracey will facilitate.

Education Plan – Barbara presented the new class pricing schedule that will be set for all classes starting in 2023. This new policy will be announced at upcoming general meeting and an advertisement for instructors wanted will go out in September.

Summer Challenge – Barbara reported only a few pictures submitted so far, but expects more to come. Reminders need to go out weekly in the what's coming email.

Proposed bylaws amendments – Allen moved to approve the amended bylaws as of 7/17/22 and Marsha seconded. Motion passed. An email about the changes will go out September 6 and the members will vote at the September 21 general meeting.

Event Update -- Allen

St David's Exhibit—Allen has asked the CA to announce the club's participation in this exhibit.

Library – We received no notice as to why our proposal was turned down, just declined.

August General Meeting – Allen will be out of town. Marsha and Tracey will facilitate the meeting.

New Business

Texas Drive Glass Case – Sherry McRae needs items to showcase from October through January

Mics for general meeting – Walt presented his research on wireless mics to use for webcasting the general meetings. With these mics, and iPhone with StreamLabs app and a tripod, the webcast can be easily distributed on YouTube. There is a 10-second or more delay, but it is not noticeable by the viewer. There is a chat feature that allows for questions from the web audience. Allen moved that we purchase the mics for \$199.95 plus tax & shipping. Marsha seconded and motion passed.

Brochure boxes. Allen is going to have 100 brochures printed and buy brochure boxes to be hung in all 3 amenity centers. Marsha is discussing a new logo with member David Werner, who is also going to create a poster for the print competition this fall. This will necessitate printing of new brochures.

By-law changes (see above)

New Resident Orientation: Thursday, August 18, 2022, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:05 a.m. Randy and Marsha will host the club's tables.

Photographer of the Month – Walt said he is set through October, but would like suggestions for months beyond.

Open Studio – Had a discussion about offering the studio to members for their use. Marsha will write a proposal by the August board meeting on times available and how to use/schedule, likely once a month. A suggestion was made to offer a simultaneous session, "The Doctor is In," for members to learn more about the workings of their cameras. Each session would have an expert on a brand of camera.

Adjourn – Motion at 11:30 to adjourn by Marsha and seconded by Tracey. Passed.

(Minutes taken by Tracey Smith in Jane McCabe's absence)

Minutes Approved On: August 15, 2022